

FGCS Board of Directors  
August 21, 2018 Meeting

**Board Members Present**

Bob Hatt, Chair  
Anita Zijdemans-Boudreau, Vice Chair  
Steve Molin, Secretary  
Roger Neyman, member  
Jon Stagnitti, Treasurer  
Robbie Pock, member

**Staff Members Present**

Vanessa Gray, Principal  
Karen Torry, Director of School Operations

Discussion Items

- Regular Board meetings: Anita asked whether the regular board meeting could be moved to a different weekday evening; she will have a Tuesday evening class this semester at Pacific. The Board decided to move the regular board meeting date to the second Monday of each month. The next Board meeting will be Monday, September 10, 2018.
- Calendar Adjustment: Vanessa proposed making the last day of school (Field Day) a short day with 1:05 p.m. dismissal. The last day of school falls on Monday, June 10. Jon asked whether the last day should be Friday, rather than Monday. Vanessa said she thinks it may be beneficial for our last day to be the same as the District's. Vanessa will talk with staff and bring the issue back to the Board in September.

Voting Items

- June 2018 Minutes: Robbie moved to approve the June 2018 minutes as written; Steve seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- Fundraising 2018-19: Bob is seeking input from Board members regarding goals, ideas and objectives. Bob proposed having two goals, one for each half of the school year, with specific actions. Vanessa asked whether the Board wants to consider an annual dinner/auction similar to what many nonprofits organizations have. While many do not make much money initially, a well-run event can grow over time. If so, Vanessa suggests hiring an event planner to manage it. She would not want an annual dinner/auction to replace the Art

Auction, which is a non-ticketed event open to anyone regardless of means, but the auction would be focused on fundraising and invite participants outside the immediate school community. To make it happen, Vanessa stated that the Board would need to approve funds and be willing to accept that the event may not make money the first year or two.

- Steve, Robbie and Roger agreed to meet as a fundraising committee on a monthly basis. Robbie agreed to act as committee chair and contact the other members to schedule an initial meeting.
- Jon asked whether the Board could also focus on pursuing grants.
- Board Recruitment/Pending New Member Application: Bob will follow up with Scott Hanselman to ask him to complete a formal Board application. Scott has indicated his willingness to serve on the Board. Vanessa and Anita are working on a diversity, equity and inclusion plan that they hope will result in identifying individuals who may be willing to serve on the Board.

#### Administrative Reports

- State Report Cards: Information in report cards is not yet available to the public, so Vanessa will discuss report cards with the Board at the September 11 meeting.
- Principal's Evaluation: Vanessa told the Board that she wanted the Board to complete an evaluation of her and suggested a tool they can use.
- Lunch Program: Steve asked about the decision to continue offering organic produce in school lunches despite a price increase this school year. Vanessa explained that the decision had to be made in a fairly short time frame. Her idea was to continue with organic for now and re-evaluate later in the year.

The next board meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Monday, September 10 in the Art Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.